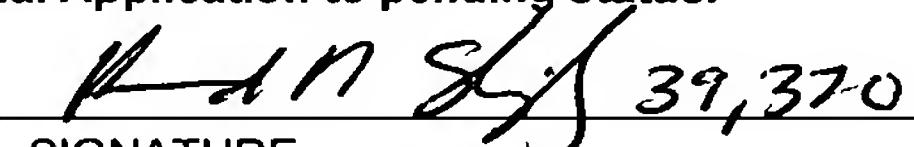


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 040356-0587 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) 10/579,038
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/016380	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 10/28/2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 11/12/2003
TITLE OF INVENTION ELECTROLYTIC MEMBRANE STRUCTURE FOR FUEL CELL AND FUEL CELL		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Ryoichi SHIMOI, Atsushi OHMA and Yoshitaka ONO		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:		
11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:		

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The following fees have been submitted:				
21. <input type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee \$300		\$ 0.00		
22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$100 \$200		\$ 0.00		
All other situations				
23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority \$100 International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office \$400 All other situations \$500		\$ 0.00		
TOTAL OF ABOVE 21, 22 and 23 =		\$ 0.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$ for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.				
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Total Claims	13 - 20 =	0	x \$ 50.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4 - 3 =	1	x \$ 200.00	\$ 0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)		+ \$ 360.00	\$	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.		+ \$ 0.00	\$	
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/10/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/10/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/10/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/10/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/10/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/10/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/10/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/10/2006
- Assignment filed on 05/10/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 05/10/2006

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
- Processing fee of \$130 for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$-70** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** for English translation surcharge required.

(A previous payment of **\$200** will be applied to the additional fees indicated above.)

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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